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GREEN COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 21, 2018 6 p.m.

Silver Lake Recreation Center

1850 W. Silver Lake Drive. Los Angeles, CA 90026

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A G E N D A

The City's Neighborhood Council system enables civic participation for all Angelenos and serves as a voice for improving government responsiveness to local communities and their needs. We are an advisory body to the City of Los Angeles, comprised of volunteer stakeholders who are devoted to the mission of improving our communities and bringing government closer to us. The Committee does not take action on behalf of the full Neighborhood Council Board. It considers proposals and forwards Committee-approved recommendations as proposed motions to the full Board. The Board will consider the Committee's recommendations at a future public Board meeting and may take final action on the recommendations.

ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE ACTIONABLE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

1. **WELCOMING REMARKS:** (5 minutes) **6:00 p.m.**
 - A. Call to order
 - B. Self-Introductions of guests (Please sign-in! It is voluntary and will help us stay in touch with you.)
2. **GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** (10 minutes)
Comments from the public on non-agenda items within the Committee's jurisdiction (Up to two minutes per speaker)
3. **PRESENTATIONS:** (15 minutes)
 - A. Information about planned arborist tree pruning lecture
4. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:** (15 minutes)
 - A. Review and Adoption of Minutes of May 17, 2018
 - B. Election of Committee Co-chairs. Open to all Silver Lake Stakeholders.
Committees Chairs Elected Annually All SLNC committees shall elect Co-Chairs within 4 weeks of seating the new Governing Board and every 12 months thereafter. Committee Co-Chairs must complete the ethics and funding training and sign the Code of Civility. Failure to abide by all of these requirements will invalidate any action taken at that meeting.
5. **MOTIONS & RESOLUTIONS:** (25 minutes)
 - A. Co-adoption Request and painting proposal for Apex Stairs, by Casey Revkin and Jolino Beserra
 - B. Schedule and plan approved arborist lecture
6. **COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:** (15 minutes)
 - A. Co-chairs
Councilmember O'Farrell Cleanup Day, Saturday June 23 at 10 am – ANGELUS STAIRS
 - B. Members
7. **REQUESTS/MOTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS and NEXT MEETING DATE:** (5 minutes)

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8. ADJOURNMENT

7:30

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**SILVER LAKE NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL
GREEN COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, May 17, 2018 6:00 pm

Silver Lake Recreation Center

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:00.

Attendance – 14: John Wingler, Bob Lisauskas, Genelle LeVin, Hugh Kenny, Amaris Hernandez, Steve Andrews, Jane Cook, Scott Plante, Pat Tashma, Douglas Reed, Jenifer Palmer-Lacy, Daniela Rosales, Stephanie Bartron. (Carol Henning and Delphine Troubridge arrived late.)

2. Public Comment on Non-agenda Items

- Douglas Reed reported that the stairs on Benton, at Reservoir had a lot of accumulated trash. It was noted that Councilman O'Farrell has a planned cleanup day on June 23, and that these stairs ("Angelus Avenue") will be included and that stair adopters will be contacted to participate.
- Pat Tashma reported that she had helped cleaning up the Murray Drive stairs.

3. Follow-up on past agenda items.

A. Banning anticoagulant poisons.

We viewed a very supportive response received from Councilmember Ryu, CD 4. Bob noted that CD 13 is currently reviewing the SLNC recommendation to ban these poisons. Assembly member Laura Friedman has co-authored AB 2422 to ban these pesticides. John was asked to contact her assistant (Seamus Garrity) for current status and to report at our next meeting.

B. Stairway news:

- Adopters of the Corralitas stairs reported on their cleanup event, ten bags of trash collected. Still looking for financial assistance to the local homeowner who has been watering the plantings.
- New city lighting installation reported on Moreno Drive stairs.
- Bob offered to send a mass email to all adopters and those who signed up to help regarding stair cleanups or other events.

4. Motions and Resolutions

Should the Green Committee request funding of up to \$400 from the SLNC Governing Board to produce a training program by a trained arborist in correct tree maintenance techniques?

Discussion: Steven Andrews said it should apply only to residence trees, not city trees. The city should attend and state what the rules and conditions are for city trees. Perhaps we should have more than one event. If the event is held in the recreation center gym, then it would be possible to follow the talk session with a walk to the reservoir park and meadow to examine trees on site.

ACTION: Moved by John, Seconded by Genelle. APPROVED: Unanimous.

5. New Business

A. Request by Bob Lisauskas to adopt the Manzanita Street stairs.

Bob explained his interest to the committee, short discussion of the stairs, location, condition. The adoption request was approved unanimously by a show of hands.

B. Clarification of policy on painting stairs

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Legality: Officially, as city property, the stairs may not be changed in any manner, but the council districts seem inclined to allow painting if reviewed and approved and maintained.

Opinions regarding: Illegal graffiti *versus* protected artistic expression.

Historic significance: Stairs are the fabric of Silver Lake's origin and should be preserved unblemished *versus* Silver Lake has always been known as an artistic, bohemian haven.

Community impact: Adjacent residential neighbors should approve 100% *versus* suggestion to allow only in commercial neighborhoods.

Artistic "value": New painting proposals should be reviewed by the SLNC Arts and Culture Committee for recommendation.

Long range Impact: How can we ensure any painting on the stairs will be maintained over many years; the stairs are mostly over 100 years old?

Committee Guest Daniela Rosales presented her idea of tiling the Cicero Drive stairs.

More discussion to continue in future meetings.

6. Administrative Items

A. Steve moved, Bob seconded to approve the April 19, 2018 meeting minutes without changes.
Approved unanimously.

B. Next meeting will be June 21 at 6:00 at the Silver Lake Recreation Center.

7. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m.